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STEEL & MINES DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 22nd November, 2014

Sub: Constitution of Committee to examine the applications and workout the modality for assessing the requirement of raw materials by the industries and the price payable by them.

S.R.O. No.529/2014—Whereas, the State Govt. vide this Department Memo No. 8620/SM., dated the 5th December, 2012, issued in exercise of rights under clause (m) of sub-rule (1) of rule 27 of the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, directed that at least 50% of the iron ore lumps and 50% of fines won from the mines within the State in any month, but not put to captive use by the lessees, shall be sold to the stand alone mineral based industries located in the State, limited to the requirement of such user industries, in an equitable manner, on payment of the prevailing fair market price by the user industries to the mining lessees;

And, Whereas, the validity of the Memo No. 8620/SM., dated the 5th December, 2012 was questioned in W.P.(C) Nos. 20774, 17682, 21482, 21420, 21640, 21664, 16260, 22180 and 21670 of 2013 before the Hon'ble High Court of Orissa;

And, Whereas, the Hon'ble Court vide judgment and final order dated the 2nd April, 2014 upheld the Memo No. 8620/SM., dated the 5th December, 2012 as being valid exercise of right of pre-emption under rule 27(1) (m) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 subject to, the State evolving a mechanism to give notice to the lessees of quantum of minerals to be purchased and payment of price within a reasonable time;

And, Whereas, the State Government vide notification No. 1029, dated the 27th June, 2014 have notified the mechanism for exercise of right of pre-emption under 27(1) (m) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960;

And, Whereas, decision has been taken in the State Level Task Force Meeting held on 21st October, 2014 to constitute a committee to examine the applications and workout the modality for assessing the requirement of raw materials by the industries and the price payable by them;

That the State Government after careful consideration have been pleased to constitute the committee with the following members.

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| 1. | Director of Mines, Odisha | ... | Chairman |
| 2. | Joint Director, Level-I of Director of Geology, Odisha. | ... | Member |
| 3. | Additional General Manager (Material), OMC Ltd. | ... | Member |
| 4. | Additional Secretary to Governemnt, Industries Department. | ... | Member |
| 5. | FA- <i>cum</i> -Additional Secretary, Steel & Mines Department. | ... | Member |
| 6. | Additional Secretary I/C of MC-I Section, Steel & Mines Department. | ... | Member |

[No. 9005- VSL-24/2013/ SM.]

By Order of the Governor

G. SRINIVAS
Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary to Government